IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 5037

Tatsuki NOGIWA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004 0179A

Serial No. 10/772,355 : Group Art Unit 2894

Filed February 6, 2004 : Examiner David E. Graybill

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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER COMMUNICATION OF MARCH 5, 2009 ALLEGING THAT THE REPLY OF DECEMBER 10, 2008 IS NON-RESPONSIVE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the communication, the Examiner stated that the reply filed December 10, 2008 was non-responsive because it failed to reply to the objections to the drawings under 37 CFR §1.84. However, this position by the Examiner is respectfully traversed, as the reply in fact contains a complete reply to the objection to the drawings.

Specifically, reply to the drawing objections under 37 CFR §1.84 begins at the middle of page 11 of the response filed December 10, 2008, starting with discussion of the presence of reference number 1 in the abstract. From here, discussion continues in the reply as to the various objections that the Examiner has made, how those objections have been overcome in the presentation of new drawing figures (accompanying the Amendment filed Declaration 10, 2008), or why the matters objected-to by the Examiner did not, in fact, need to be changed. Such discussion continues to the middle of page 12. The Examiner's attention is, of course, also drawn to the changes that are in fact made to the drawings, submitted withe amendment.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's Notice is incorrect in that response to the drawing objections under 37 CFR §1.84 was filed with the Amendment of December 10, 2008. Accordingly, withdrawal of the Notice is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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